

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Sheriff-Coroner		(2) MEETING DATE March 21, 2006		(3) CONTACT/PHONE Mike Matus (805) 781-4555	
(4) SUBJECT Submittal of a Resolution Commending County Jail Correctional and County Health Agency Employees for Providing Lifesaving Aid to an Inmate					
(5) SUMMARY OF REQUEST This resolution will recognize the outstanding performance by Sheriff's Department and County Health Agency staff.					
(6) RECOMMENDED ACTION The Sheriff-Coroner requests your Board adopt the attached resolution commending County Jail Correctional and County Health Agency employees for providing lifesaving aid to a County Jail inmate who suddenly collapsed.					
(7) FUNDING SOURCE(S) N/A		(8) CURRENT YEAR COST N/A		(9) ANNUAL COST N/A	
(10) BUDGETED? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/> NO					
(11) OTHER AGENCY/ADVISORY GROUP INVOLVEMENT (LIST): None					
(12) WILL REQUEST REQUIRE ADDITIONAL STAFF? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, How Many? _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Limited Term _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Contract _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Help _____					
(13) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW <i>Vincent Matus</i>					
(14) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, All <u> </u>			(15) LOCATION MAP <input type="checkbox"/> Attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A		
(16) AGENDA PLACEMENT <input type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing (Time Est. _____) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Board Business (Time Est. _____)			(17) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolutions (Orig + 4 copies) <input type="checkbox"/> Contracts (Orig + 4 copies) <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinances (Orig + 4 copies) <input type="checkbox"/> N/A		
(18) NEED EXTRA EXECUTED COPIES? <input type="checkbox"/> Number: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A			(19) APPROPRIATION TRANSFER REQUIRED? <input type="checkbox"/> Submitted <input type="checkbox"/> 4/5th's Vote Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A		

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237-3000

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TO: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

FROM: PATRICK HEDGES, SHERIFF-CORONER

DATE: MARCH 21, 2006

**SUBJECT: SUBMITTAL OF A RESOLUTION COMMENDING COUNTY JAIL
CORRECTIONAL AND COUNTY HEALTH AGENCY EMPLOYEES
FOR PROVIDING LIFESAVING AID TO AN INMATE**

RECOMMENDATION:

The Sheriff-Coroner requests your Board adopt the attached resolution commending County Jail Correctional and County Health Agency employees for providing lifesaving aid to a County Jail inmate who suddenly collapsed.

DISCUSSION:

The Sheriff's Department operates the County Jail, which houses sentenced and pre-sentenced adult inmates, both male and female. The County Health Agency provides medical care and treatment for inmates and nursing staff works closely with correctional staff at the County Jail. Jail staff is trained and certified in advanced first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and the use of the automated external defibrillator (AED), so as to be able to render immediate lifesaving measures in the event of an injury, illness, or sudden medical emergency of an inmate, employee, or visitor.

On Friday evening, January 20, 2006, a female inmate being processed within the intake and release center suddenly collapsed, fell to the floor and stopped breathing. Correctional Officers Power and McDaniel immediately went to the inmate's aid and Correctional Sergeant Schwiebert radioed for a bag valve mask, AED and medical staff. Correctional Officer Dietz arrived with medical equipment and all three provided lifesaving measures as trained, while Correctional Sergeant Schwiebert expertly managed this emergency situation, coordinating medical and ambulance, while managing ongoing jail operations at a peak time period with high activity.

Although the inmate started breathing again on her own, within a very short time she went into full cardiopulmonary arrest and CPR was started by correctional officers, assisted by jail

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medical staff, RN Champion and LVN Mellor. An AED, one of eight available within the jail, had already been applied to the inmate, and twice delivered a lifesaving shock. After the second shock, the inmate began to breathe on her own and a heartbeat was restored.

The inmate was transported to Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center and has since recovered from the incident and returned to the jail. Treating physicians verified that immediate action by trained staff and the use of an AED saved this individual's life.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT:

Sheriff's Department and County Health Agency.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

None.

RESULTS:

To publicly recognize outstanding performance by Sheriff's Department and County Health Agency staff.

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IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

21st day March, 2006

PRESENT: Supervisors

ABSENT:

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**RESOLUTION COMMENDING COUNTY JAIL CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS
BRIAN POWER, DENNIS DIETZ AND JOHN MCDANIEL AND
CORRECTIONAL SERGEANT REANN SCHWIEBERT
AND COUNTY HEALTH AGENCY STAFF,
RN BONNIE CHAMPION, AND LVN JOHN MELLOR
FOR PROVIDING LIFESAVING AID TO A COUNTY JAIL INMATE**

The following resolution is now offered and read:

WHEREAS, The Sheriff of the County of San Luis Obispo is mandated to take charge of and be the sole and exclusive authority to keep the County Jail and the prisoners in it; and

WHEREAS, the Mission of the San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Department is to protect all life and property and to provide service, security and safety to the community, as directed by law and moral responsibility; and

WHEREAS, the County Health Agency provides medical care and treatment for inmates at the County Jail; and

WHEREAS, the County Health Agency nursing staff works closely with correctional staff at the County Jail; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Department trains all safety employees in first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of the automated external defibrillator; and

WHEREAS, on the evening of January 20, 2006, an inmate of the County Jail suddenly collapsed and fell to the floor in the intake and release center; and

WHEREAS, said inmate went into cardiopulmonary arrest; and

WHEREAS, Correctional Officers Brian Power, Dennis Dietz and John McDaniel, assisted by Correctional Sergeant Reann Schwiebert, RN Bonnie Champion and LVN John Mellor provided immediate lifesaving aid and care, using their skills and training in medical aid and the use of the automated external defibrillator; and

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WHEREAS, the prompt and properly delivered aid saved a human life; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Sheriff asks that the Board of Supervisors recognize and commend Brian Power, Dennis Dietz, John McDaniel, Reann Schwiebert, Bonnie Champion and John Mellor for their care and compassion as well as their outstanding performance.

Upon motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____, and on the following roll call vote, to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINING:

the foregoing resolution is hereby adopted.

Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

by: _____ Deputy Clerk

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